UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109th Congress 1

[Date approved: November 4, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2313 (Mr. Joe Wilson of South Carolina)

Proponent name, location: Clariant Corporation, Martin, SC.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

4-[(4-amino-3-methylphenyl)amino]phenol, reaction products with sodium sulfide (Sulfur Blue 7) (CAS No. 1327-57-7) (provided for in subheading 3204.19.50).

Check one:

Same as that in bill as introduced.X Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The product is a synthetic dye used in the textiles industry for coloring cotton fabrics, primarily denim. Clariant imports the product from Spain.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>3204.19.50</u>										
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%					
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$245,211	\$245,211	\$245,211	\$245,211	\$245,211					
Customs revenue loss	\$15,939	\$15,939	\$15,939	\$15,939	\$15,939					

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Philip Stone (202-205-3424); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm

Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?		
			(Yes/No)			
Clariant Corporation (Proponent) Andrew Zamoyski, 401-823-2230	8/26/2005	No	No	No		
BASF Functional Polymers Bus. Group Joseph C. Breunig,Fax: 704-587-7903	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
Bayer Corporation Karen L. Niedermeyer, Fax: 412-777-4740	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
Blackman Uhler Jeter Starnes, Fax: 864-596-1501	8/31/2005	No	No	No		
Carey Industries, Inc. Raymond J. Carey, Fax: 203-791-2762	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Deming, Fax: 302-479-5152	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
CMPA Larry Robinson, Fax: 703-684-1795	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
Color Resources International, Inc. Wayne Jones, Fax: 864-862-6824	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
Colorants and Textile Leather Michael Strumpp, Fax: 973-426-3542	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
ColorChem Steve Printz, Fax: 770-993-4780	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
Day-Glo Richard Thornton, Fax: 216-391-1408	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
DuPont Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-774-1398	8/31/2005	No	No	No		
DyStar L.P. Van Hawkins, Fax: 704-561-3005	8/30/2005	No	No	No		
ETAD Tucker Helms, Fax: 202-296-8120	8/30/2005	No	No	No		

Everlight USA, Inc. Scott Chen, Fax: 704-588-0051	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical Jim DeLisi, Fax: 908-322-8494	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Milliken Ray Sanders, Fax: 864-503-1618	8/30/2005	No	No	No
NFC John Dickson, Fax: 803-548-2683	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer, Fax: 214-514-6001	8/30/2005	No	No	No
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Technical comments:³

The Commission suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to provide the formal chemical name.

The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

H. R. 2313

To suspend temporarily the duty on Sulfur Blue 7.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 11, 2005

Mr. Wilson of South Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Sulfur Blue 7.

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- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SULFUR BLUE 7.
- 4 (a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
- 5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
- 6 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
- 7 new heading:

"	9902.08.01	Sulfur Blue 7 (CAS No. 1327–57–7) (provided for in					
		, ·u	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2008	,,,

- 8 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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